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AUTOMATIC MANHOUR SETTING SYSTEM AND METHOD,

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PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIUM

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## **SUBMISSION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.114**

A Final Office Action, was issued in this case on January 30, 2004. Applicants file herewith a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") (37 C.F.R. §1.114). This Submission is being filed pursuant to 37 CFR §1.114 and is responsive to the January 30, 2004 Office Action.

Please amend this application as follows prior to further examination on the merits:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.